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LOUISIANA CATTLE INVENTORY DECREASES

All cattle and calves on Louisiana farms as of January 1, 2011, were estimated at 790,000 head, down six percent from a year ago. **All cows that have calved** were estimated at 480,000 head, down eight percent from a year ago. Louisiana's 2010 **calf crop** was estimated at 360,000 head, down ten percent from the 2009 calf crop.

Beef cows were estimated at 461,000 head, down eight percent from January 1, 2010; **milk cows**, at 19,000 head, were down ten percent from a year ago. Other cattle inventory estimates and changes from a year ago were: **beef cow replacement heifers**, 82,000 head, unchanged; **milk cow replacement heifers**, 5,000 head, down 29 percent; **other heifers**, 21,000 head, up 31 percent; **steers 500 pounds and over**, 21,000 head, unchanged; **bulls 500 pounds and over**, 30,000 head, down six percent, and **calves under 500 pounds**, 151,000 head, down seven percent.

CATTLE INVENTORY – JANUARY 1

	Louisiana		United States	
Item	2010	2011	2010	2011
	Thousand Head		Thousand Head	
All Cattle and Calves	840	790	93,881	92,582
Beef Cows	499	461	31,371	30,865
Milk Cows	21	19	9,086	9,150
Beef Cow Replacement Heifers	82	82	5,451	5,158
Milk Cow Replacement Heifers	7	5	4,526	4,557
Other Heifers	16	21	9,769	9,818
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	21	21	16,510	16,382
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	32	30	2,190	2,153
Calves Under 500 Pounds	162	151	14,979	14,500
Cattle on Feed			13,642	14,023

	2009	2010	2009	2010
Calf Crop	400	360	35,939	35,684